About the Book

The title of the book is “A Thousand Splendid Suns” and it was written by Khaled Hosseini. The publication date of this book is 2007. It takes place in the country of Afghanistan. This book explores the lives of two young women from Afghanistan, who become tangled in a country of warfare.

About the Author

Khaled Hosseini was born in 1965 in the city of Kabul, Afghanistan. His father’s occupation was a diplomat at a foreign ministry, and his mother was a teacher at a large high school in Kabul. In 1984 he enrolled at Santa Clara University, and this is where he earned his degree in biology. He then entered the California-San Diego’s school of medicine. He earned his medical degree here in 1993. He began writing “The Kite Runner” in 2001, while at medical school. It was later published in 2003. It became an international best seller. “A Thousand Splendid Suns” is his second book, and has been published in 60 countries. Both of these books are New York Times Best Sellers. Khaled Hosseini shows the true side of Afghanistan, and both of these books are very informational.

Characters and Conflict

The main characters of the book are Mariam, Laila, and Rasheed. The book revolves mainly around these two women and Rasheed. The main conflict of the story is that war and catastrophic events can destroy a country greatly and can put the country in great turmoil. Women are seen as a lower class of citizen compared to men, due to this. Mariam and Laila have to struggle with the mistreatment of their husband, and try to improve their lives because of it.

Theme

Khaled Hosseini demonstrates that women are treated as inferior compared to men in Afghanistan, because of the catastrophic events that took place in past events.

Destiny Review

Two young women named Mariam and Laila, go though the true life that women in Afghanistan experience. Mariam and Laila both have to struggle with the mistreatment in their lives, and strive towards an improved life compared to their previous ones. Mariam and Laila go through their whole life trying to better their own lives. Khaled Hosseini gives snapshots of the true side of a woman’s life in Afghanistan. Khaled Hosseini is very swift in his writing, and distinctively effects the emotions with the use of an ominous tone. Hosseini always keeps the surprises coming so it is almost impossible to predict what is coming next. A Thousand Splendid Suns is a very powerful book, that will change the way people see things after they are done reading it.